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Dear Mr. Parsegian:

The Director asked me to thank you for your letter and the accompanying document. He feels that your views on democracy and spiritual freedom are laudable, and respects your right to express them.

You are correct in recognizing that this Agency does not condone the activities of any organization which are inimical to the interests of the United States.

We appreciate it when interested citizens bring to our attention some of the false but recurring allegations that we are somehow involved in support of groups whose aims and actions are against America's interests. We would like to assure you that the suggestion that the CIA is backing one such organization as described in your document is without foundation.

Sincerely,

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Assistant to the Director

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